John F. Kennedy, P.E. Consulting Engineer

FALL MOUNTAIN MOTORS SITE INVESTIGATION SITE # 92-1221

This investigation is a follow up to an investigation conducted by James Shippee, during a fuel tank removal. Mr. Shippee's investigation revealed contaminated soils in the tank vicinity.

A) Monitoring Well Installation:

On October 13, 1992 a monitor well was installed at the site, at the Southeast corner of the former tank location. Site topography and local topography indicate this would most likely be downgradient of the tank, with respect to ground water flow. The well was installed using a hollow stem auger. Soil samples were taken at 5' intervals. Soil descriptions and photoionization meter readings are tabulated on the enclosed test boring logs. Soil samples at 25' were wet. The boring was advanced to 33' to ensure penetration into the water table and allow for seasonal fluctuation.

A 2" monitoring well was installed with a sand pack, bentonite seal above the 10' well screen, and a flush mounted water tight protective cover.

An odor was noted during drilling and sampling that was not a normal petroleum product smell.

B) Testing:

On October 15, 1992 water samples were obtained from the well. Samples were jarred for VOC testing using EPA Methods 8010/8020.

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Results of testing indicated only one substance above quantitation limits. This substance was methylene chloride at a concentration of 87 parts per billion. This substance does not currently show up in the September 1992 Vermont Water Supply Rules, Table of Contaminants and the allowable levels. A phone call to the Water Supply Division confirmed this, however they plan to set a level of reported 5 parts per billion.

C) Probable Causes:

Methylene Chloride (or dichloromethene) is used as a refrigerant in compressors, a solvent for organic materials, and as a component in non flammable paint remover, solvent degreasing, among other applications.

You reported Fall Mountain Motors has not operated a body shop for over 10 years. Floor drains for your repair shop at the North end outlet to an oil and grit trap some 260' Northeast of the monitor well. Immediately North of the monitor well is a reported septic tank. Leaching trenches are reported to be 60' to 80' East of the monitor well. Historically sewage disposal has been just North of the monitor well. It should also be noted this is a filled site.

POTENTIAL GROUND WATER RECEPTORS

The two closest drinking water supplies are two bedrock wells Northwest of the site. The closest is Fall Mountain Motors own well, 290' Northwest of the monitor well. A second well, 460' Northwest of the monitor well, serves the Blue Haven Guest House.

Bob Potter, of Fall Mountain Motors, reported bedrock at 35' to 40' during the drilling of their well. Well depth is 280'. This is a fairly new well. Previously Fall Mountain Motors was served by a well point located

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East of their building and Northeast of the monitor well. This has been abandoned.

The house approximately 500' Southwest of the site is served by a spring at the top of the slope West of the site, as reported by the homeowner.

The Connecticut River is due East of the site. Its water level is lower than ground water observed in the monitor well. Topography indicates it is a potential receptor for surface and subsurface water from the site.

Enclosed are USGS topographic maps showing the site and immediate vicinity. Noted are the above mentioned well and spring.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Fall Mountain Motors should review their disposal procedures to ensure all chemicals, solvents, etc. are being containerized and can not be disposed of via sinks or drains to ground.

The well can be resampled early next year to verify presence of the contaminant and to check for any increase/decrease in concentration. A check can also be made on the drinking water.

Sincerely,

Warren L. Stevens, P.E.

LABORATORY REPORT

10/15/92 DATE OF SAMPLE: Soils Engineering CLIENT NAME: 10/17/92 DATE OF RECEIPT: SITE LOCATION: Fall Mountain Motors 10/28/92 DATE OF ANALYSIS: LABORATORY NO: 2-1755 11/12/92 DATE OF REPORT: 70183 PROJECT NO: Warren Stevens ATTENTION:

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EPA Method 8010 & 8020; All results reported as ug/l or ppb. BPQL = Below Practical Quantitation Limit. NOTE: Two early eluting unknown peaks on the Photoionization Detector Chromatogram

Respectfully Submitted, SCITEST. INC.

Roderick J. Lamothe Laboratory Director



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